## Impersonator received supplies from relief agency

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DOTHAN — The director of the Atlanta-Fulton County Emergency Management Agency confirmed Friday that he had given Alan Everett Goetsch Jr. a small quantity of stock shelter supplies, including medical kits, just two days before Goetsch was arrested by the FBI and charged with impersonating a military officer at Fort Rucker.

Retired Col. Delmar Corbin, director of the Atlanta-based organization, said Friday that he was approached by Goetsch April 8 in Atlanta and was asked to provide a large quantity of supplies.

"He presented himself to me as a special forces Army captain who said he was involved in assisting some destitute folks in Guatemala," Corbin said.

Goetsch, 34, of Red Bluff, Calif., was arrested by the FBI April 10 at Fort Rucker, after officials there became suspicious of his claims of being an Army captain.

was interested in obtaining 4,000 water drums, 1,800 portable toilets, 300 large medical units and 150 small medical units. Corbin said he gave Goetsch a sample of supplies, including one empty water drum, a small

and a medium sized medical kit, and a sanitation kit.

Corbin said his organization stocks a large quantity of supplies in a warehouse in Atlanta, which were stocked by the federal government in 1962 and are no longer needed by federal, state or local governments.

Corbin said that his group will give the supplies to certain needy agencies, and that Goetsch's request was the first of its kind that he knew of. "That case did not get consumated, because he was supposed to get back with me, but he was arrested."

He said that as a result of the incident, "we'll certainly have much more stringent rules" pertaining to the recipients of the supplies.

Goetsch. who is being held at the Houston County jail without bond, said in recent interviews that he was involved in a CIA research project at Fort Rucker. The project, Goetsch claims, included providing medical assistance to Central America and extracting any American prisoners of war from Southeast Asia.

GOETSCH SAID during an interview from the Houston County jail Friday that the research he was involved in included an extensive review of the geographic, agricultural, eco-

nomic and political aspects of Guatemala and Laos.

After his arrest, Goetsch turned over to federal authorities a 201 military personnel file, according to assistant U.S. Attorney Charles Truncale. Truncale said the file was full of fraudulent documents, including what appeared to be a fraudulent CIA commendation.

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